From: [redacted]

Sent: Tuesday, January 02, 2007 12:40 PM

To: Taskforcecomments

Subject: Identity Theft Task Force

Dear Identity Task force,

I am writing to request that all US consumers be allowed to freeze their own credit identity. Freezing my credit record makes my social security number and personal information useless to criminals.

Not being allowed to freeze my credit is like not being allowed to lock my front door. I therefore have to constantly watch so that no one breaks in. An unlocked front door greatly increases the chance that someone will walk in and steal belongings.

A credit identity freeze is the single most effective solution to Identity theft, and would eliminate the average 30 hours per victim cost in cleaning up their credit information, because their credit identity could not be stolen in the first place.